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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

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Claim 1 (currently amended) A method of routing traffic, comprising:

a) identifying a first point and a second point located on at least one existing road on a tract of land from where traffic is to be routed;

b) identifying an area proximate to the tract of land, the area being suitable for supporting a further road for routing the traffic, and the area substantially encompassing a body of water;

c) locating the further road through the area to span the tract of land so that the further road is generally parallel over its length to the shoreline of the body of water and the tract of land, the further road being located above the body of water; and

d) linking the further road to the first point and the second point so that the further road provides an alternate route to the at least one existing road.

Claim 2 (previously amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein step d) further comprises linking the further road to the at least one existing road at at least one intermediate location between the first point and the second point.

Claim 3 (original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the area extends generally parallel to the tract of land.

Claim 4 (previously canceled)

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (previously amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the further road is a bridge.

Claim 7 (previously amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the further road is a floating road.

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Claims 8-17 (previously canceled).

Claim 18 (new) A method according to claim 1 wherein the length of the further road is substantially the same or greater than the at least one existing road between said points.

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